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Subject: RE: FYI

## Excellent great thanks

From: Perry, Dale

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2018 10:37 AM **To:** Sinks, Tom <Sinks.Tom@epa.gov>

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## Hi Tom,

Room 1153 can hold 150 people and has three sections with 50 chairs each. When I have previously attended such events there weren't any issues with lack of seating and staff came and went at their leisure. We can definitely discuss further. Regarding your other question about live streaming, I spoke to Nancy Grantham/OPA this morning and she mentioned this briefly. OPA, OGC, and OARM are meeting today to discuss public events in general, based on lessons learned from the PFAS meeting, and will also discuss the July 17<sup>th</sup> hearing. After they meet today, she is going to pull everyone together to discuss these kinds of logistics so stand by for more on these topics.

Thanks – looking forward to working with everyone,

Dale

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Hi Dale – here is another issue I'd like your advice/recommendation on. How should we best accommodate requests from EPA staff and EPA programs wanting to attend the hearing? . Maybe we should reserve a small number of seats for EPA attendees and let them know they will be available on a 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> serve basis or hold a chair for each interested program. I'm not sure how many people the MAP room can accommodate so we will need to calculate this into how many people can attend at any one time.

From: Lowit, Anna

**Sent:** Friday, May 25, 2018 3:05 PM **To:** Sinks, Tom <<u>Sinks.Tom@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: FW: FYI

Hey Tom

Quick question.... To attend in person to listen to the comments, do we need to register?

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Subject: FYI

## EPA Announces Extended Comment Period and Public Hearing on Proposed Rule to Strengthen Science Transparency in EPA Regulations

**WASHINGTON** (May 24, 2018) - Today, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced an extension of the comment period on the proposed rule, "Strengthening Transparency in Regulatory Science." EPA is also announcing a public hearing for the proposed rule, which will be held on July 17, 2018, in Washington, D.C.

"EPA is committed to public participation and transparency in the rulemaking process," said EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. "By extending the comment period for this rule and holding a public hearing, we are giving stakeholders the opportunity to provide valuable input about how EPA can improve the science underlying its rules."

On April 30, 2018, EPA announced the proposed rule with a 30-day comment period that was scheduled to close on May 30. With today's extension, the comment period will now close on August 17. EPA is soliciting comments on all aspects of the proposal and specifically on the issues identified in Section III. The public hearing will provide a forum for interested parties to present data, views, and arguments regarding EPA's proposed rule.

The proposed rule will strengthen the science used in regulations issued by EPA. It will require that underlying scientific information be publicly available. Also, this rule is consistent with data access requirements for major scientific journals and builds upon Executive Orders 13777 and 13783.

Comments should be identified by Docket ID No. is EPA-HQ-OA-2018-0259 and submitted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>.

The public hearing will be held at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, William Jefferson Clinton East Building, Main Floor Room 1153, 1201 Constitution Avenue NW, in Washington, D.C. 20460. The public hearing will convene at 8:00 a.m. EST and continue until 8:00 p.m. EST. Parties interested in presenting oral testimony at the public hearing should register online by July 15, 2018, at https://www.epa.gov/osa/strengthening-transparency-regulatory-science.

While we have taken steps to ensure the accuracy of this <u>internet version of the rule</u>, it is not the official version of the rule for purposes of public comment. Please refer to the official version in a forthcoming *Federal Register* publication.